

## REQUEST 18446

Please provide a list of housing developments in the area covered by Wigan Metropolitan Borough that have experienced delays in completion during the period 1 January 2020 to 31st July 2025.

For each delayed development, please provide the following:

- Name and/or address/location of the development
- Planning application reference number
- Originally expected completion date
- Actual or most recent known completion date (if completed or ongoing)
- Status (e.g. not started, in progress, paused, abandoned, completed late)
- Any available reason(s) recorded for the delay

If possible, please provide the data in spreadsheet format (CSV or XLSX). If this data is not held by the council, I kindly ask that you redirect me to other potential sources.

## **RESPONSE**

The Council does not hold the specific information requested.

The vast majority of perceived delays in housing development / construction would be outside of the Council's control. Most housebuilding is undertaken by the private sector within a commercial environment, and progress can be influenced by a range of external factors.

Also, the term "delay" is not defined within the planning process and is inherently subjective; what may be perceived as a delay could reflect legitimate procedural steps / requirements in terms of delivery.

The Council does hold planning records on housing developments during the period of the request, and his information is accessible via the Council's website at the following link. Please utilise the search function available on this webpage accordingly:

## Search and comment on planning applications

Support and guidance on how to search the information the Council holds on this section of its website is available on the above webpage, but is also provided in the accompanying 'Public Access User Guide' PDF document and via the link to the relevant page on the Council's website below:

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These records may contain relevant information to the request, but do not indicate, specifically, whether the Council considers a 'delay' to have occurred in the delivery of the development.